

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image reading apparatus includes a sensor section which includes a color line sensor which reads a color image and a monochrome line sensor which reads a monochrome image provided in parallel with and a specific distance away from the color line sensor, an input section which inputs a document image to the color line sensor and the monochrome line sensor, and a control section which, when reading an image from a document by use of the input section, starts the reading of an image by the color line sensor and the reading of an image by the monochrome line sensor with the same timing.